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HONGKONG'S DISPLAY.

CASTS A SPELL OVER WEMBLEY VISITORS.

GREAT INTEREST IN NATIVE CRAFTS.

(Reuter's Service).

London, April 23.
The British Empire Exhibition was thronged all day long. The eighty thousand people who attended the opening of the stadium overflowed into the Dominion and Colonial pavilions, which often could not be passed through, especially the smaller buildings of the African colonies and dependencies, Palestine, and Hongkong.

The novelties of the Hongkong shopping centre cast a spell over many visitors, while the native workers in the walled cities of West Africa were overwhelmed with the attentions of the crowd. The picturesque and roomy Malaya pavilion was thronged, main interest centres in the arts and crafts display, with indigenous talent working primitive industries.

Prime Minister's Absence.

London, April 23.
It is explained that the Prime Minister was absent from Wembley because during Easter he has been busy in conference with the Independent Labour Party. He has received the sanction of H.M. the King to take three days' holiday in order to obtain a short rest before the House of Commons re-assembles.

Triumph of Broadcasting.

London, April 23.
The clearness of the broadcast transmission during the stadium ceremony was such that a gramophone record was taken of the King's speech from a medium loud-speaker, and this was broadcast late to-night, with His Majesty's permission, for the benefit of those unable to hear the speech in the morning. The words were heard most distinctly.

The speech was also broadcast in Esperanto for the benefit of Continental listeners.

[The following telegram has been sent by the Chairman on behalf of the Hongkong Joint Committee in connection with the British Empire Exhibition:—"Secretary of State for the Colonies, London.—Hongkong Committee send loyal greetings to President and best wishes for success of Exhibition." A further telegram has been sent to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, London, as follows:—"Please convey London Committee cordial wishes success Exhibition Hongkong Committee."]

IMPERIAL CO-OPERATION.

GOVERNMENT DEFINES ITS ATTITUDE.

REFORMS ALREADY IN HAND.

London, April 23.
The Government has issued a White Paper specifying its position regarding the various resolutions of the Imperial Economic Conference, showing it endorses most of these and is giving effect to them by administrative measures, and the introduction of legislation. It hopes at an early date to introduce legislation for the re-organisation of the Imperial Institute; and the necessary introductions are being prepared regarding the placing at the disposal of the Dominion and Colonial Governments the services of His Majesty's commercial and diplomatic officers, and the Government will gladly take advantage of the Dominions' offer regarding the services of their overseas trade commissioners.

A revised scheme of Imperial trade statistics is being prepared for submission to the other Governments concerned.

The Government is preparing a scheme for the mutual interchange of aeronautical information, and will take steps to keep the other Governments fully informed of developments regarding airship services.

The Government is inviting the Colonies and Protectorates to adopt a scheme whereby patents granted in Britain should extend to the Colonies and Protectorates on registration.

The Government is reserving any expression of its views on tariff preference, shipping taxation and immunity of State enterprises, pending the Budget discussions in Parliament.

KIDNAPPING CASE.

BOYS STOLEN FROM CANTON.

Two boys and an adult Chinese were charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning with kidnapping and harbouring two small boys nine years of age, who had been stolen from Canton. The evidence showed that the police, subsequent to information received on the 13th instant went to No. 617, Shanghai Street and found the two small boys in a room with the three defendants. The boys had been brought down from Canton and the first defendant had paid their fares. The two boys gave evidence to the effect that they were walking about in Canton when they met the second and third defendants, who brought them down to Hongkong.

The boys' mothers stated that they missed their children on the morning of the 10th instant. Relatives came down to Hongkong to look for them and reading something about the case in the Chinese newspapers they went to the police.

A Chinese living in the same road where the boys were arrested said the first defendant was absent from the place for about a week before the 11th instant and

EXPRESS TRAINS COLLIDE.

COACH BURSTS INTO FLAMES.

Big List of Killed.

Berne, April 23.
A disastrous collision occurred between two expresses, each drawn by two locomotives, on the St. Gothard line, near Bellinzona, allegedly due to one driver disobeying the signal at the entrance to the station. One of the coaches burst into flames. Twenty-one bodies have hitherto been recovered, a number of them badly charred. It is stated that the majority of the victims are German tourists who were bound for Italy.—Reuter.

when he came back on the morning of the 11th he had the two small boys and the other two defendants with him. The first defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour, whilst the other two, who were more lads, were each ordered twelve strokes, the magistrate saying he did not wish to send them to prison.

ANOTHER PIRACY.

BETWEEN KONGMOON AND CANTON.

40 PEOPLE KIDNAPPED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Kongmoon, April 22nd.
Another successful piracy was perpetrated on the "Ping On" tonight, plying between Kongmoon and Canton. The vessel had left Kongmoon with passengers and freight on the night of the 19th inst., and when she was nearing Sam Nang Mui en route to Canton, she was given a warm reception by the pirates, who popped out in large numbers from behind the embankments on either side of the river. As the pirates had the boat well under cover of fire, any attempt at escape would have been fruitless. About forty passengers were taken away for ransom, apart from a big haul of goods. After the pirates had done their business, they sailed triumphantly away aboard the towing launch.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Brokers' Quarrel.

Sir.—The action taken by the Hongkong Stock Exchange and the Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association to withdraw the daily issue of share quotations, is, to my mind, totally unjustified and selfish. They allege that "outsiders" take advantage of the quotation list to transact business for their own benefit. Now why should the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank issue their daily exchange quotations, as the exchange brokers will take advantage of these to transact business with some other banks? Why should the hotels post up selling notices of steamers simply for the benefit of the shipping companies? Why should the Government make good roads for the benefit of the public, and so forth? In other words, if other organisations or associations adopt the same attitude, it will be detrimental to trade and a menace to the public.

I myself do not think much about their quotations, since they do not generally exhibit the true state of the share market. If they put "buyer" they are not really buying, and if they put "seller" they are not really selling. If you ask for an explanation, they will say: "Oh, they are simply carried forward."

I should like to see the "outsiders" start a new association which would issue daily a correct share quotation list.

Yours etc.

INVESTOR.

Hongkong, April 24th., 1924.

MACLAREN REACHES INDIA N COAST.

Everything O.K.

Karachi, April 23.
Squadron Leader MacLaren has arrived here, after a perfect flight in ideal weather. The arrival of MacLaren at Karachi constitutes the completion of the first stage of his world flight, from Calcutta to Karachi, a distance of 4,890 miles.—Reuter.

TROUBLE IN INDIA.

British Troops Fired on.

Allahabad, April 23.
The Pioneer's North-West frontier correspondent reports that Mahauda fired on a patrol of the Berkshire Regiment, near Razmak on the 18th instant, killing two and wounding one. The Artillery, as a reprisal, shelled Mahauda, the former Mahauda capital.—Reuter.

MURRAY BARRACKS.

STORY OF A MUDDLE IN PLANS.

We wonder whether our readers have ever noticed anything unusual about the architectural features of Murray Barracks? According to a Home writer, there was, when those barracks were built, a muddle regarding the plans, with the result that the building was erected and verandahs added afterwards as an afterthought. Here is an extract from the London Observer on the subject:—

"In an article on Chinese reminiscences in the National Review Mr. G. H. A. Willis mentions the famous Murray barracks at Hongkong, solid and ugly, with outside verandahs, built on afterwards. Verandahs and cool airy buildings are a necessity in the tropics, and the reason given for the style of these barracks and the tardy addition of the verandahs was rather humorous. It seems that, years ago, the construction of barracks at Hongkong and Gosport was authorised at the same time. The War Office letters to each place contained, by inadvertence, the plans authorised for the other; so that at Gosport one can, to this day, see light airy buildings, with large windows and open ironwork verandahs, and at Hongkong these solid stone buildings with small windows, and verandahs added as an afterthought only."

ADJUDGED SANE.



Above is a "snap" of Mr. Harry Thaw, who killed Stanford White in New York in 1908, in an "eternal triangle" case. After years in lunatic asylums, he has been adjudged sane.

HOTEL BAR INCIDENT.

TWO DUTCHMEN CHARGED.

Two Dutchmen, Jan Nedera and D. A. Klaassen, both employed on the J. O. J. liner Tildzwang, appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Police Court this morning on charges of creating a disturbance last night in the public bar of the Hongkong Hotel and of assaulting Mr. J. T. Goldsmith and Mr. H. Johnstone, Bar Manager and Assistant Bar Manager of the Hotel respectively. An application for a remand was made by Mr. H. C. Macleay (for the prosecution), and the case was held over until tomorrow at noon.

ROBBERS' ATTACK.

MANY VILLAGERS KIDNAPPED.

SOME CAPTIVES RESCUED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Kongmoon, April 22.
On the 19th inst., at 5 a.m., a large gang of robbers, numbering over 200, made an unexpected appearance and swooped down upon Wong Chung village, to the west of Gao moon, Sunwai district. Over eighty of the villagers were taken prisoners. No sooner had the robbers retreated from the village than alarms were given by the relatives of the victims, and native guards were sent out from all the surrounding villages to try to intercept and round up the bandits in their retreat. About 40 of the captives were thus rescued, and though some of the bandits were killed and wounded, they managed to make good their escape with their booty and the other captives. On the whole, the bandits had to pay a heavy price for this expedition.

LOCAL BUILDING.

NEW FIRM IN HONGKONG.

With building activities still in full swing here, it is interesting to record that Messrs. Trollope and Colls (Far East) Ltd., one of the best-known firms of building contractors and engineers in Shanghai, have just opened a Hongkong office, situated in "Prince's Buildings" (next to Messrs. Leigh and Orange).

The Company is well known in London, where it has been established for about 100 years, and has carried out the construction of most of the Banks and Insurance Companies' Offices in the City. Four years ago, the Far East section of the Company was formed, with head-offices in the Glen Building, Shanghai, and since that time it has erected many important buildings there, among the principal being the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the Chartered Bank, the Yokohama Specie Bank, the Glen Line offices, additions to the Race Course, the Hanbury Road Bridge, Messrs. Lever Bros. factory, and various residential houses. Following the earthquake in Japan, the Company is now engaged in building new wharves for the Rising Sun Petroleum Company, as well as temporary offices for the Chartered Bank, the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and various other works.

The object in opening in Hongkong is to obtain and carry out orders for every description of engineering and building work. The Company is not concerned with the architectural side, confining itself solely to carrying out the designs of others. Modern methods are, of course, adopted, and the Company is completely equipped with technical staffs to carry out every department of a contract, including plumbing and other specialist trades connected with building and engineering.

Mr. W. T. Dye is the manager of the Hongkong office, which has this week been opened as stated above.

FOR HUMANITY'S SAKE.

The French Plan to Russia.

Paris, April 23.
M. Poincare has replied to M. Chicherin. He says the French Government is transmitting to the Soviet Government the petition of French savants asking for clemency towards their Russian comrades did not intend to interfere with Russian internal affairs, and adds that the Soviet Government is perfectly free to disregard the considerations of humanity. He denies the allegation that the condemned men at Kief collaborated with the French secret service during the war.

HONGKONG'S PROBLEM.

CONTROL OF HOUSES OF ILL-FAME.

DEPUTATION TO MR. THOMAS.

The following is a fuller account of a discussion (briefly cabled by Reuter at the time) which took place in the House of Commons on March 24th:—
Mr. Thomas, Secretary of States for the Colonies (Derby), asked by Mr. J. Harris (Hackney, N. L.) whether he was aware that the official appointed to the position of Secretary for Chinese Affairs in Hongkong was informed, prior to his appointment, that his duties would include the examination of girls as to their suitability to enter brothels, and then to pass them into the various classes of brothels in the colony; whether this practice was peculiar to the colony of Hongkong; and, if not, in how many other British Dependencies was it the practice to require British officials to issue passes for girls to become inmates of brothels, said:—
"I have no doubt that the official in question knew before his appointment of these duties, which are in this regard purely protective. It has been found necessary to give similar protection in the Malay Peninsula, but there is no other part of the Empire containing a large number of Chinese women requiring protection of this nature."

Mr. J. Harris asked whether the Government were prepared to accept the view that it was a violation of British ideas of morality to export British Civil servants in Hongkong merely to examine 3,000 girls, but to direct them to the street and the houses they were to enter, and even the very floor they were to occupy? (Cheers)

A DEPUTATION.

Mr. Thomas said there was no more distasteful subject to be dealt with by a Minister of any Government. As the hon. gentleman was aware, he was to meet a deputation on the subject. It could not be dealt with by question and answer in the House. The Government were alive to the difficulties and dangers of the subject, and they had to deal with it in a common-sense way.

In reply to Mr. Ayles (Bristol, N. Lab.), who asked if the Secretary of State for the Colonies was prepared to refuse recognition to the existence of brothels in Hongkong and other parts of the British Crown Colonies, as a step towards abolishing the international traffic in women and children, Mr. Thomas said he was not convinced that the suggested measure would have the desired effect. The Governor of Hongkong reported last June that there had been very few cases there of international traffic in girls for immoral purposes, and that very careful precautions taken by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and the police tended to check abuses of this description.

BRITISHER ASSAULTED.

ABSDUR CHINESE DEMANDS.

Peking, April 23.
A meeting attended by 200 persons was held in the Central Park yesterday, including some prominent members of Parliament, regarding the arrest of the soldier who assaulted Mr. Campbell on the section of the Great Wall under the control of the Legation Police, on the 13th inst., and passed eight resolutions, some of them being pure nonsense, while others revealed an astonishing ignorance of the circumstances.

The main points of the resolutions were that the members attending the meeting should telegraph to the British Government asking for the recall of Sir J. W. R. Maclay, British Minister to Peking, and urging the Chinese Government to punish the soldier severely.

SUN'S TROOPS RETREAT.

VARIOUS REASONS QUOTED.

Latest reports from Shoklung state that the Yunnanese and Hunanese troops which are reported to have made good progress along the East River front, have retreated at all points. In some quarters this is attributed to the fact that the vanguard near Waichow city has been defeated; whilst in others the reason is said to be that General Chan King-ming has captured Cheongchow and will soon return to operate on the East River front. Yet another report says that the forces have retreated on account of the fact that they have received no payments for several days.

A meeting has been held at the military headquarters in Canton, and it is reported that, following this gathering, Dr. Sun has declared that he will take a large sum of money to the troops and personally direct the fighting on the East River front.

HARBOR OFFENCES.

MOTOR BOAT MASTERS IN TROUBLE.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Lieut. Commande Con-way Hako, Ho Po, the master of the motor boat George Bing 5, was summoned for carrying nine passengers in excess. A police officer stated that he saw the boat going towards the Despatch with liberty men. He had 23 passengers and was licensed to carry 15. Witnesses counted the passengers as they went up the gangway. Defendant said he had eleven passengers only; the others came from a sampan which was also at the gangway. The case was dismissed.

Kong Kan, master of the boat Leung 1, was fined \$10 for carrying seven passengers in excess. He admitted the offence and said that they were men who had been working on a ship that was just leaving. They had to be taken ashore.

Cheung Hung, master of the motor boat Tak Hung 1, was fined \$50 for failing to stop when called upon by the police boat. A police officer said he was informed by the third officer of the Paul Leat that the boat was towing a sampan which was carrying articles which had come off the Paul Leat. He sounded his whistle for her to stop. He gave chase and caught her as she reached the wharf. Defendant said he did not hear the police whistle.

Chan Wa, master of a motor cargo boat, and Sin Kan, master of the motor boat Sing Fook, were fined \$5 each for being under way without having on board a certificated coxswain, and Au Shui, master of the steam launch Hung Shun, was fined a similar sum for being under way without a certificated engineer. He said he did not know that the engineer had left the boat. He rang the telegraph and someone started the engines.

A master and three mistresses of fishing junks were fined \$3 for dredging in the fairway without permission. For dredging and dumping Leung Tai, the master of a junk was fined \$3.

APPROACHING NEW ZEALAND.

Wallington, April 23.

The Special Service Squadron has been sighted.—Reuter.

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"Hongkong Telegraph"**CORRESPONDENCE.**(To the Editor of the "Hongkong
Telegraph.")**Cartledge Has A Say.**Sir,—With reference to Mr.
Bailey's remarks in the local papers
recently, re my fight with Turner,
I wish to state that his information
as to an agreement to halve the
purse is absolutely false, as it
would appear, by the reading of his
notes, that Turner and I agreed to
square the fight.I emphatically deny any such
statements of squaring, etc., either
by Mr. Bailey, "Ringster" or any
one else. My heart is big enough
to fight anything on two legs
without belittling myself by such
practices of squaring.Sir, I am willing at all times to
be matched with anyone. My record
on arriving in this Colony was
clean, but it is very apparent that
the boxing fans of Hongkong are
determined to smash it. Take the
case of my first fight with Chadwick.
A bigger farce no one could wish
to see, I being ruled out for that
which did not occur. Now I am
accused of squaring a fight or the
equivalent to it—"a wink is as
good as a nod to a blind horse."What really happened was this:
Turner admitted, after the fight,
that he did not think he had
won, and the following morning
(Sunday), on our arrival at the
V.M.C., to receive our stakes, he
offered to halve them. Turner's
offer, mind you, not mine!
Observing that I considered I had
well won the contest, I mutually
accepted the offer.Mr. Bailey makes mention of a
man being suspended for fouling,
or acting in an unsportsmanlike
way whilst in the ring. At what
time, or round, during the contest
did I do either? I suggest to
Mr. Bailey, that he carefully reads
that book of rules which empowers
a referee to stop and disqualify
either, or both, of the contestants,
should he consider one, or both
of them, are not trying. I ask,
why did he allow the fight to go
the full distance, and then award
an adverse verdict to me, when
I, as he states, was only posing?
Further, how does Mr. Bailey
account for Turner's condition after
the fight? For fifteen minutes he
lay unconscious; yet I, to the
contrary, was quite fresh. Surely,
Sir, some one must have received
punishment to warrant Turner's
condition after the fight!This book, of which Mr. Bailey
speaks so much, states:—"A
referee should never discuss his
decisions in public." Further,
that said book is on Service
Boxing, and how boxing should
be conducted; hence, I say, Mr.
Bailey, you failed miserably to do
your duty as a referee, in allowing
a fight to continue when one
man was only posing. For such
contests as I took part in on the
night in question, I have received
four special prizes for the sports-
manlike manner in which I
conducted the fights.In conclusion, Sir, I trust I have
made myself clear on the subject
of the purse shared with Turner.
An offer was made by Turner to
halve the purse, and I accepted
same. Admitted, I have a lot to
learn as yet about boxing, but in
all my career, it is the first time
I knew that ringmaster, fencing and
countering came under the heading
of posing; also, hear in mind,
Mr. Bailey, it takes two to make
a fight, and one cannot knock
an opponent out if he does not
give you the opportunity. If it
is a butcher's shop you require,
please supply me with a heavy
settling maul.—Yours, etc.,

JIM CARTLEDGE.

Royal Naval Yard,
Hongkong, April 23rd, 1924.**PHILIPPINES
INDEPENDENCE.****QUESTION OF FUTURE
SAFETY.**(United Press Service to the
"Telegraph.")Washington, April 23.—The
House of Representatives' Insular
Affairs Committee requests Mr.
Hughes to state whether it is
practicable to negotiate treaties
with all the Pacific Powers guar-
anteeing Philippine neutrality,
especially in view of the fact that
the whole Pacific question is likely
to be reopened as the result of
independence.Congressmen say they realize the
difficulties attending such negotia-
tions, especially since the Japanese
immigration situation injects many
new elements into the Philippine
situation.**FRANCE AND CHINA.****CHINESE EASTERN
RAILWAYS.**Peking, April 23.—The French
Minister's Note of the 16th to the
Waichinopu maintains the attitude
put forward in the last French Note,
regarding the Russo-Asiatic Bank
and the Chinese Eastern Railway.
The Note lengthily and academically
reviews Dr. Koo's Note, and
quotes several points contained
therein, contending they might be
taken in support of the French
view.Reference is made to France's
not having recognised the Soviet
and it is argued that an agreement
with the Soviet regarding the Bank
and the Railway should be classed
as dealing with a third party, which
Dr. Koo's Note stated was not
permissible.In connection with the Linchou
claims, the Waichinopu has asked
the diplomats to confer with it on
that subject.—Reuter.**THE JAPANESE
EARTHQUAKE.****HONGKONG RELIEF FUND.**As announced last month, the
Hongkong Committee in charge of
fund raised in connection with the
Japanese Earthquake Disaster
decided to remit the balance of the
Fund, amounting to some \$15,
000.00, to K. He, Yen 50,000.00 to
be used to meet the deficit on the
working of the relief ship Tai
Wangtung and \$74,000.00 to be
divided equally to meet Japanese
and foreign needs—"foreign" being
understood to mean Chinese,
British, American, any nationality
other than Japanese.In acknowledging the moiety—
¥12,000.20—to be used for non-
Japanese relief, the Chairman of
the Finance Committee of the
Earthquake Relief Fund, Kobe,
writing to the Secretary of the
Hongkong Relief Committee under
date 15th, April, states:—"Arrangements will be made to
allow a share of the above sum to
the British and Chinese Com-
mittees as requested, although the
former will not require much, as
my Committee also looks after the
needs of British subjects by a
mutual understanding with the
British Relief Fund.""May I ask you to convey to
your Committee our deep sense of
appreciation and gratitude for this
splendid and timely donation. We
had come almost to the end of our
resources, while on the other hand
there are still frequent requests
for assistance from deserving cases
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COMPETITIONS AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

The Guide movement, which does for the girls of the Empire what the Scout movement does for the boys, continues to flourish in Hongkong. Thanks to the great interest Lady Stubbs, the Commissioner, has taken in the activities of the Guides, and the self-sacrificing work of the officers of the companies, the movement is now on a very satisfactory and firm foundation, and there is every indication that its influence will become wider and its activities extended as the days go by.

The great ultimate aim of the movement is the voluntary self-equipment of the growing generation of girls for the founding of healthy, happy, well-run homes in which to rear the coming generation. "A Guide is a friend to all, and a sister to every other Guide" is one of its best mottoes. Such an aim is surely well worth fostering, worthy all the labour of love that those interested give to it.

In the past the work locally has been somewhat limited owing to the difficulty of obtaining officers sufficiently versed in Guide law, and ideals to take charge of companies, but recently several young ladies with home experience have been good enough to come forward and throw themselves wholeheartedly into it. The result is that there is no need for anxiety in this respect. Indeed, so well are the various companies offered and so satisfactory is the position generally, that the extension of local activities by the formation of further companies can now be considered.

Yesterday was St. George's Day, and it was appropriate that Lady Stubbs should invite to Government House the various companies to take part in a series of competitions which, it is hoped, will make an annual affair. It was a semi-private gathering, only those directly interested in the movement having been invited. Possibly this was due to her ladyship's desire not to submit the girls to the critical gaze of the general public at their first annual effort, and if this is so it is as well to offer the assurance that nothing but praise could be given for the able way in which they acquitted themselves. Well trained and intelligent all of them, the manner in which they carried through their various exercises was a credit to themselves and to those in charge, and evoked the admiration of the small gathering present.

Prince of Wales Banner.

There was an incentive for the girls to do well. The Prince of Wales banner—a similar coveted emblem bearing the Prince of Wales Feathers to that competed for by the Boy Scouts last year—was up for competition. The banners, it will be remembered, were made from material which covered the sedan chair in which the Prince was carried through the cheering crowds from Blake Pier to the pavilion in Statue Square, and then on to Government House. The banner occupied a prominent position on the lawn the whole afternoon, and many covetous glances were cast in its direction by the members of the different companies, who were anxious to become the proud possessors of it.

The companies competing were Murray, Central British School, Kowloon, Vanehai and the Diocesan Girls School, Kowloon. They were examined in first aid, tracking, knot tying, general knowledge questions, the laws and promises of Girl Guides, the Union Jack and inspection, and a certain number of marks were added at the end of the day for good humour, initiative and the Guide Spirit. It was an ambitious programme, and the examiners had no easy task before them. Those who kindly undertook this duty were Miss Paterson (District Captain of the Girl Guides), Miss Cotton, Lady Stuart Taylor (Secretary of the Girl Guides Association) and Mr. White (District Captain of the Boy Scouts). The competitions went on the whole afternoon and the greatest interest was evinced in the proceedings.

Sir Claud Severn's Address.

During the ten interval the companies were drawn up on the lawn and were addressed by Sir Claud Severn, K.C.M.G., C.M.G. Amongst those present were His Excellency the Governor and Major General and Lady Fowler. Sir Claud expressed thanks to Lady Stubbs for allowing the gathering to take place in such pleasant surroundings as Government House and for the great interest she continued to take in the movement. As they were all aware that this was the first occasion on which Girl Guides were competing for the Prince of Wales banner, the banner, with another presented to the Boy Scouts for competition, was made from material which formed the screen of the sides of the sedan chair in which His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales was carried, on his arrival in the Colony, from the pier to Government House. "I would like to say," Sir Claud added, "that all of you cannot win. Only one company can win it, and

I am sure that those companies who are not successful in getting it this year will only strive the harder to win it next year. They will not be disappointed, but will make a special effort to get it next time." (Applause).

After tea, the competitions were continued and the afternoon was well advanced when the important announcement was made. The companies were drawn up on the lawn in front of the main entrance, with the Banner held by one of the smaller Girl Guides. The results were read out by Miss Paterson, whose announcement that the banner had been won by the Central British School, Kowloon, was received with much joy by the girls composing the company. The marks gained by the companies in the various subjects were as under:

	Murray	Vanehai	C.B.S.	C.B.S.
Laws and Promises	14	15	11	14
Union Jack	20	22	23	21
Knot Tying	11	21	18	13
Drill	23	18	10	20
First Aid	23	22	23	24
Tracking	22	22	18	21
Inspection	9	10	0	10
Extra Marks	8	4	4	0

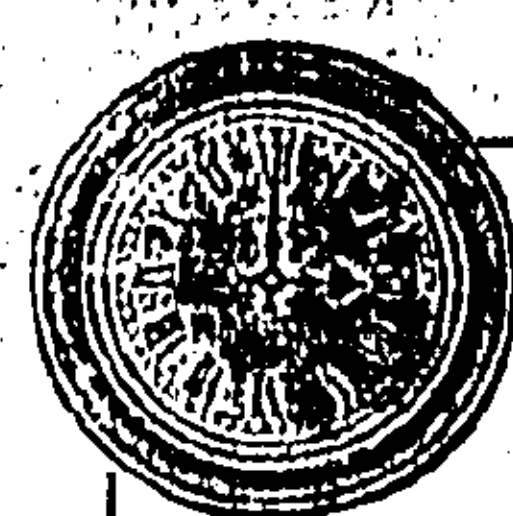
The Central British School gained the highest number of marks with 126. Murray Company and the Diocesan Girls School tied for second place with 120 each, and the Vanehai Company was awarded 110 marks.

Lady Stubbs presented the banner to Miss Owen Hughes, who was in charge of the Central British School Company, and in a graceful little speech congratulated the girls on having won it. She commented on the successful way in which the competitions had been run and mentioned that very few points divided the companies. Lady Stubbs added that the full results would be circulated to the companies in order that they might see where they had lost marks and thus improve upon their figures on the next occasion.

The afternoon was brought to a conclusion with a March Past, the Commissioner taking the Salute.

LABOUR M.P.'S AND WIVES AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

The Queen, recovered from a cold, was associated with the King in receiving the guests at the first of a series of afternoon parties at Buckingham Palace last month. On arrival, the guests, who included many Labour M.P.'s and their wives, were conducted to various apartments, including the Throne Room and the drawing room, all of which were specially decorated with choice spring blooms.



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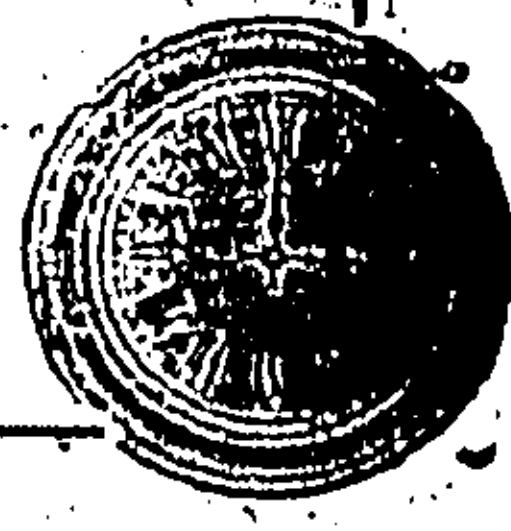
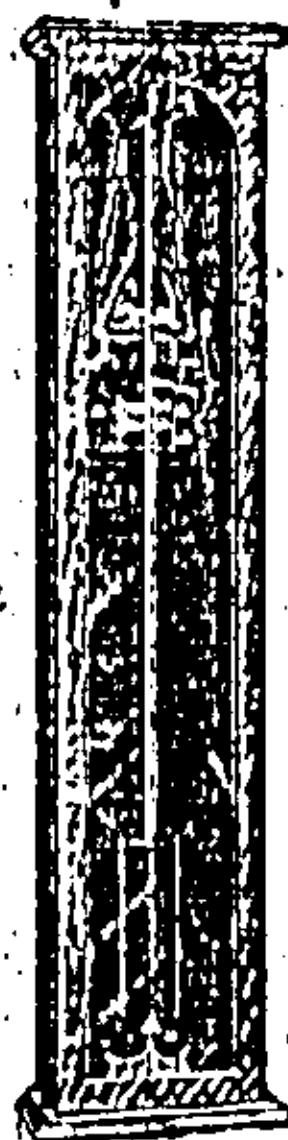
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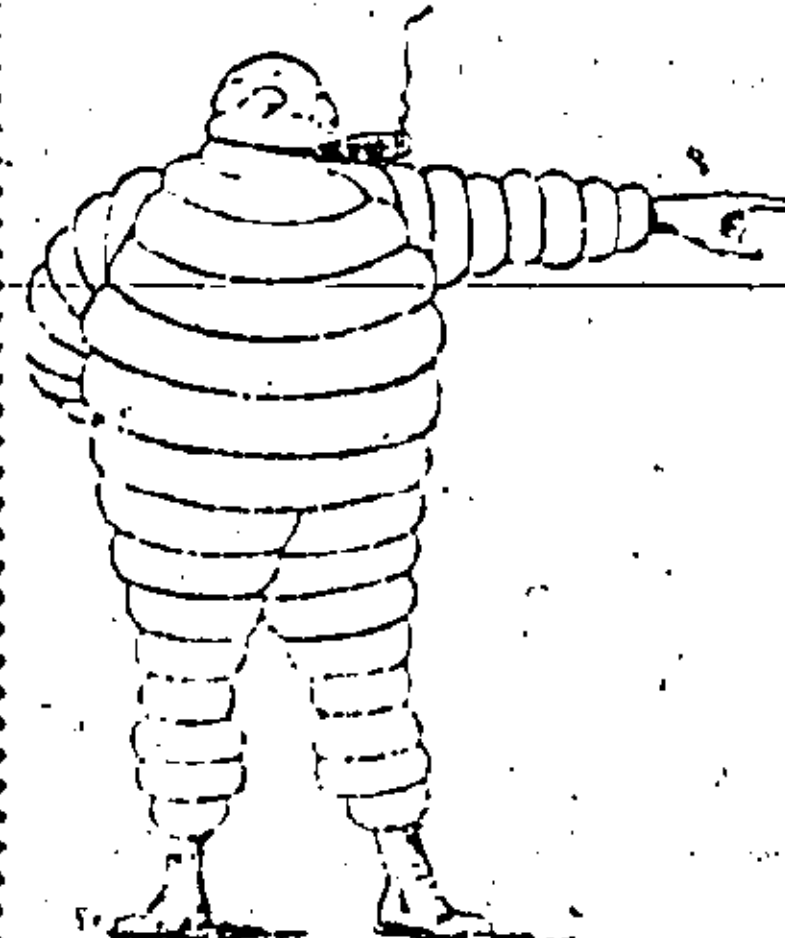
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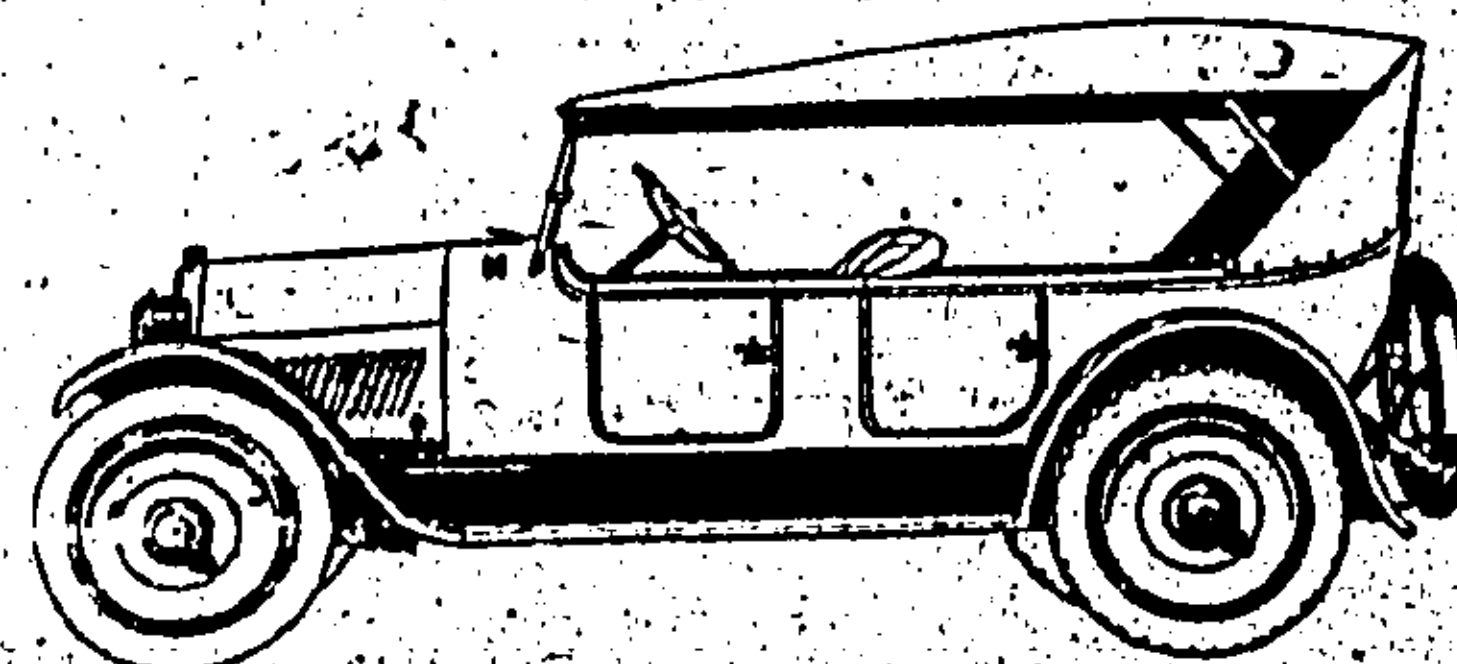
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All interested are cordially invited to be present.

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WEATHER and ground permitting the following matches have been arranged to take place on the Stand Court, Reserved Seats \$1 each Booking at Messrs. Moutrie & Co. (Blue tickets). To-day, 24th April, at 4.30 p.m.

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THE Forty-Third Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong on Tuesday the 6th May 1924 at 11 o'clock in the morning for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 29th April to 20th May both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
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Hongkong, 16th April 1924.



The Steamship "PRES. GRANT" having arrived from Seattle, via ports on 23rd April 1924. Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 29th April, 1924 by the Company's Surveyors Messrs. Anderson and Asho.

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NOTICE.

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The said shares are the property of the undersigned and application has been duly made to the Company for the issue of a duplicate scrip.

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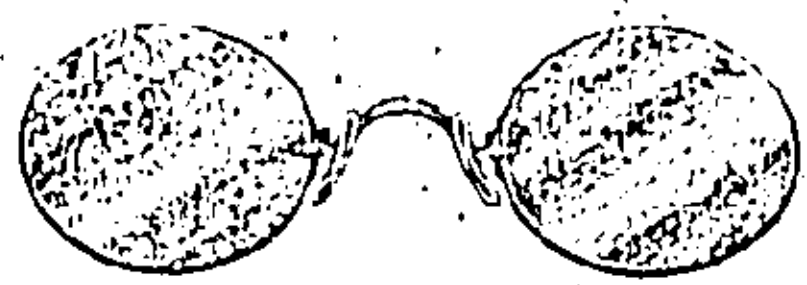
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Two Chinese appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Hongkong Police Court yesterday on charges of attempted robbery and wounding Wong Kau, the master of a cargo junk, on the 11th inst.

The prosecution withdrew the charges against the second defendant as there was no evidence, except that of the first defendant, to offer against him. He was therefore released, but will probably be banished from the Colony.

The first witness to be called was the master of the junk. He stated that on the 11th inst. his junk was alongside the Praya opposite the China Navigation Company's godown, discharging cargo. There were 16 persons altogether on board. At about 11.30 p.m. the only four colors of the junk were on shore and the whole family, consisting of 12, were all asleep. Witness woke up and found that the light, which was always kept burning, was obscured. He discovered that two men were standing in front of it. He then raised the alarm and was told to keep silence. He got up and caught one of the men, who produced a dagger and cut him three times on the head. Witness shouted "Save life," and his daughters who were in the adjoining room came over to his room. He then lost consciousness.

The Daughter's Part.

The master's wife said that she was awakened by something knocking against her head. She heard her husband shout "Save life," and seeing one of the men she caught hold of him. The man stabbed her with a dagger which he was carrying. During the time the men were there she heard two shots fired.

Wong Yau, the master's daughter, stated that she was aroused by shouts of "Robbers," and she ran out of her room on to the deck. She saw two men inside her father's cabin. One of her sisters blew a police whistle. She ran into the cabin and grabbed one of the men, who was defendant. He fired two shots and, being frightened, she let him go. The man ran on to the Praya, whilst the other man jumped into the harbour and escaped. Witness then went to the assistance of her

A BARBER'S QUARRELS.**STORY OF PARTNERSHIP AND \$450.**

Mr. Justice Gompertz took his seat at the Supreme Court yesterday, sitting in summary jurisdiction. He is now acting as Chief Justice and will continue to officiate until the newly appointed Chief Justice arrives in the Colony to take up the duties which Sir William Rees Davies has carried on for so many years.

The case before Mr. Justice Gompertz was one in which, Fazil Kurin, barber, sued Alura Klu, barber, of the East Surrey Regiment, for \$450, alleged to have been paid by the plaintiff to him on a consideration that had failed. Plaintiff submitted that in February he paid the money as part share in a proposed partnership, that a draft partnership agreement had been prepared and that defendant had accepted the money, but later refused to sign the agreement or to take plaintiff into partnership.

Mr. Russ appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. L. D'Almeida for the defendant.

In cross-examination by Mr. Russ defendant said that after there had been a difference about the agreement he went to the Major and complained that plaintiff was lending money to the soldiers. Plaintiff was then dismissed.

Later the case was adjourned until this morning.

father, who was injured. She afterwards went on shore and saw defendant in custody. She recognised him at once.

Sub-Inspector F. Shattain told his Worship that in a search on the junk the next day, the dagger was found. It was by a strange coincidence that the revolver was found. The junk happened to be in the same place on the 20th and while the tide was low the junk was being cleaned. Two men who were in the water washing the bottom, decided to go ashore. One of them happened to stand on something hard. On picking it up he found it to be a revolver. It contained four loaded cartridges and two empty ones, which shows that revolver must have been the one used by the robbers on the night of the incident. The case was then adjourned.

PUBLIC HEALTH.**LAST WEEK'S REPORT.**

The report of the Medical Officer of Health for last week shows nine cases of small pox, with nine deaths. One was an imported case. One was a Filipino and eight Chinese.

One Chinese died from enteric, and of three Chinese cases of cerebro-spinal fever, one imported, two ended fatally. One Chinese case of puerperal fever was also reported, and two Chinese died from influenza.

On Tuesday, among four cases of small-pox one was a Hindu-Cingalese and the rest Chinese. One case of enteric, one of paratyphoid and one of cerebro-spinal fever were all Chinese.

THREE COLOURS AT ONCE.**Discovery Will Help Textile Trade.**

An important development in dyeing processes is announced, by which it is possible to include red, violet and blue in the same dye bath.

Two years ago the discovery was made that a mixed cotton and silk fabric could be dyed two colours at the same time, and since then the research chemists of the British Celanese, Limited, have been co-operating in the investigation of double-dyeing.

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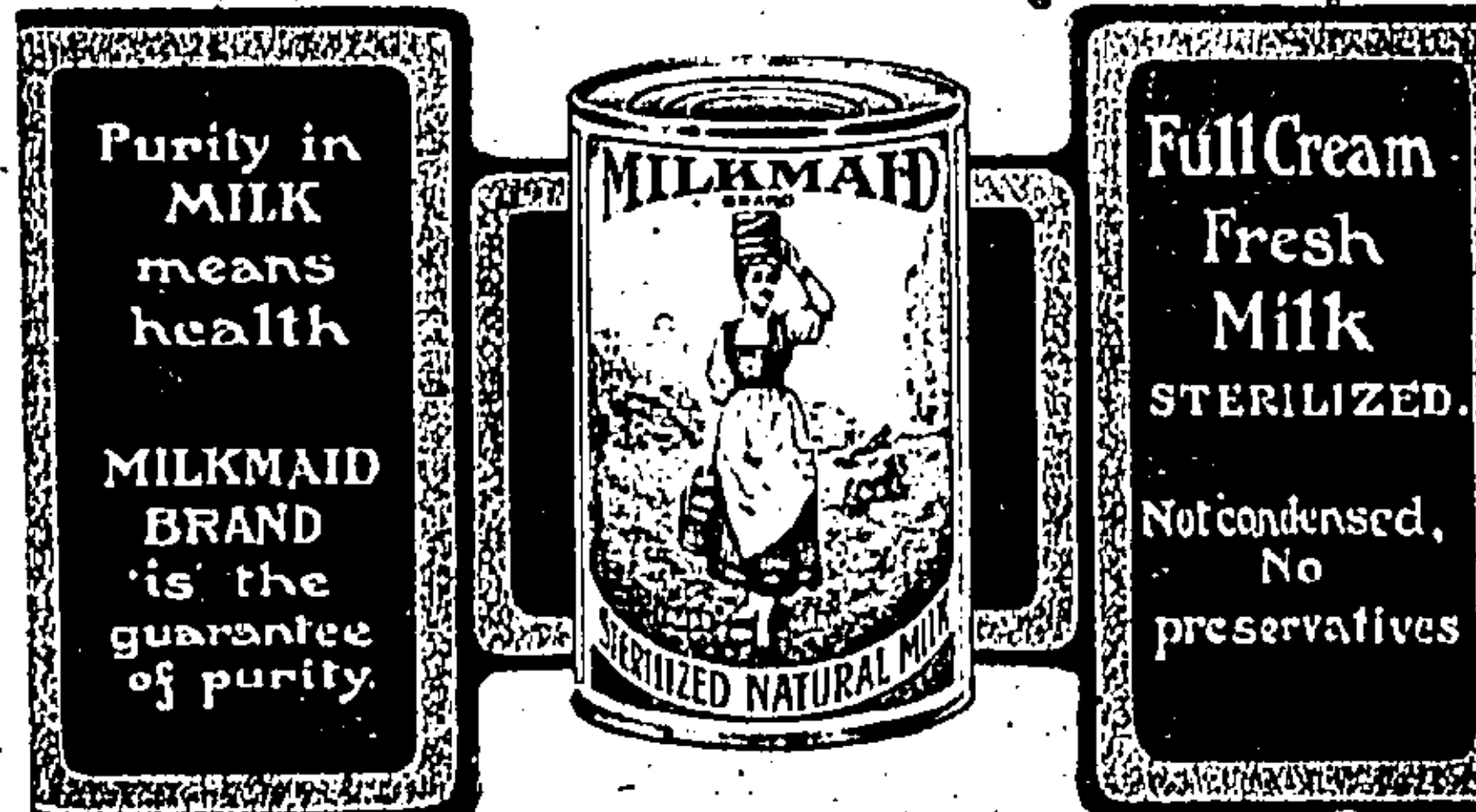
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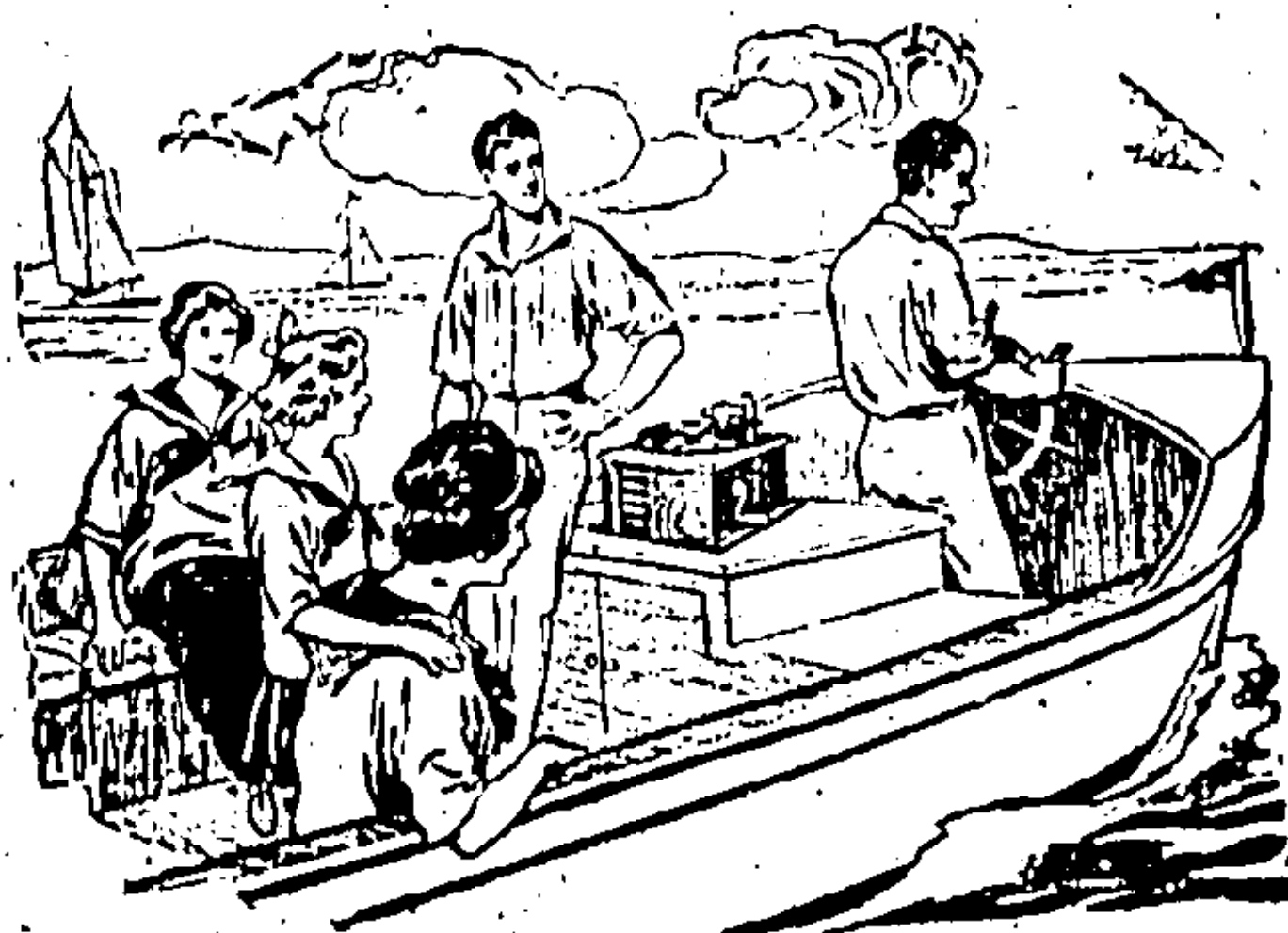
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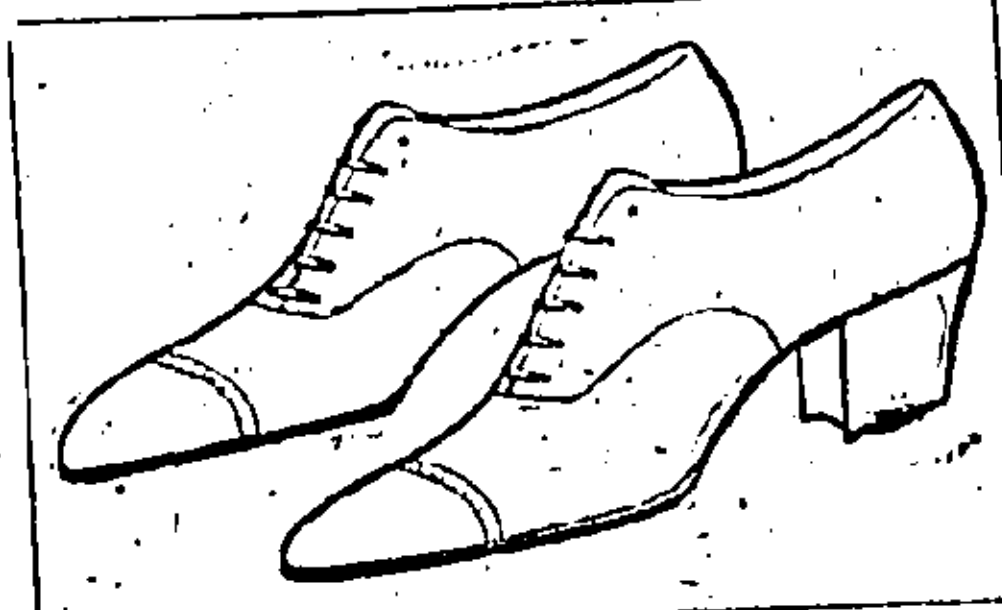
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DEATH.

ALABASTER. At Boscombe, on the 23rd, April, Laura Abbis widow of the late Sir Chaloner Alabaster, K.C.M.G., and daughter of the late Dr. D. J. Macgowan, M.D., of New York and China.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 24th April, 1924.

VERANDAHS.

Judging from the letter which we published yesterday, as well as from comments which we have heard in architectural circles of late, quite a controversy has arisen in the Colony in regard to the erecting of verandahs over sidewalks in our streets. So far, we have been unable to ascertain precisely why the Building Authority has so far departed from immemorial custom as to disallow the building of such verandahs in certain cases, but the fact that he has done so has raised a suspicion that in course of time no verandahs will be permitted at all. We are informed that, as a result of this new ruling, great confusion has been created in building operations in the Colony, with the result that architects are at their wits' end in endeavouring to comply with the Government's requirements. It can easily be understood that many muddles are created when an architect who has designed a building with verandahs is told that the plans may be approved provided no verandahs are included in the structure. All we can gather from the Building Authority on the subject is that the whole matter is still under consideration.

In the absence of an official statement explaining the Government attitude on the question, we cannot but evince our sympathy with the architects in this matter. The writer of the letter which we published yesterday appears to us to have made out a strong case for a retention of the old practice—that is, to permit the construction of verandahs as a privilege, under certain specified safeguards. The arguments put forward by our correspondent seem much to the point, and, at the moment, we are inclined to support his contention that the case in favour of verandahs over footpaths seems much stronger than that against it. We believe we are right in saying that in Singapore, so far from any objection being offered to verandahs, an attitude quite the reverse to this is taken up by the authorities—the provision of verandahs is compulsory. An example of an Eastern

settlement where verandahs are not absolutely general, we call to mind Shanghai. In Nan-king Road, the main business thoroughfare of the settlement, there is a huge stretch of verandahless street, and from our experience of it in summer we can only say that it resembles a furnace for the intolerable heat which is experienced on its sidewalks during the hot season of the year.

With the facts as they now are, we should say that it would need some very strong and special reason to warrant any general movement in Hongkong against verandahs. We cannot think that the Government would seriously contemplate a widespread anti-verandah movement without first taking public opinion into account. Let us have all the cards laid on the table. Then we shall be able to decide the issue purely on its merits.

Whilst saying so much, we would not deny the possibility that a case can be made out for certain restrictions regarding verandah space, in view of the growing tendency towards high buildings in Hongkong. It might even be advisable to confine verandahs in certain streets to the first and—or second storeys. The point we wish to stress, however, is that the whole matter is one needing most serious consideration. There is no justification whatsoever for rush tactics. We suggest, therefore, that for the present there should be a reversion to the status quo; and that the Government carefully draws up its proposals, incorporating them in a draft Bill, with a notification that it intends to put them into force, say, six months hence. That would give ample opportunity for all interests to state their case, and, incidentally, the present hopeless muddle would be overcome. The need at the moment is sanity of outlook on what is a very ticklish question.

More Lloyd Georgics.

One cannot pass over what Mr. Lloyd George says as a matter of little account, for several reasons. First, of all, he has too great a following for his utterances to be without influence on British political opinion; and, again, his views on the Labour Ministry, judging from recent articles in the Home papers, reflect what a big group of Liberals are now thinking. Evidently the pact between Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Asquith is not proof against the severer strains and stresses of party affairs, and opponents of Liberalism will see in this latest development an amusing indication of the divided councils that prevail in that camp. The real difficulty is to decide what form of party opinion Mr. Lloyd George represents; yet it is easy to discern that he opposes Labour and all its ways. Perhaps he is disappointed with Labour's policy, as not coming up to his expectations; perhaps he has long awaited an opportunity to express his dislike. Inevitably, inter-party friction is developing. A Labour Government which holds its position by virtue of the jealousy of Liberals, who do not wish to see the Conservatives triumphant, but are secretly hoping to triumph themselves ere long, is an artificial product, and cannot expect a smooth passage. What is being resented in non-Labour quarters is the expression of opinion by the Premier that his Ministry will avoid a general election for at least two years. Thus are Liberal hopes dashed—unless there is a scheme to defeat Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's aim. Meanwhile, one can imagine the Conservatives sitting back and smiling to themselves; the inscrutable smile that might mean anything. The Labour battalions, on the other hand, will be stung by Mr. Lloyd George's words into further efforts to consolidate their position. And possibly, despite everything, the MacDonald Government will continue to jog along, "doing its best," and helping the country through its difficulties—which is what really counts.

DAY BY DAY.

THE GIFT OF RHETORIC HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR MORE BLOODSHED ON THIS EARTH THAN ALL THE GUNS AND EXPLOSIVES THAT WERE EVER INVENTED. —Mr. Baldwin.

Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung and the other distinguished Chinese visitors to the Empire Exhibition arrived in London on March 22nd.

Sub-Lieut. A. G. V. Hubback has been posted to the Foxglove, China Station, from Mar. 17. Sub-Lieut. A. P. Gilson similarly joins the Hollyhock.

Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., (who have been appointed sole agents for Hongkong and South China for the celebrated "Cow & Gate" brand of milk, an English product) has received the following telegram:—"Cow and Gate awarded gold medal Calcutta Exhibition, beating all competitors."

An accident was witnessed at Shaaukaiwan West yesterday, when, in trying to cross the tram tracks, a little Chinese girl was knocked down by a tram. One leg was completely severed when one of the wheels passed over it. The unfortunate child was taken to the Government Civil Hospital, where her condition is precarious.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, a Chinese coolie was sentenced to one month's hard labour for stealing a suit of clothing from a matchbox in Nathan Road. Evidence was given to the effect that defendant was actually seen taking the clothes which were hanging out to dry. He was seen to put them on under his own clothes.

An interesting official communication, together with sample forms of free passports granted to opium dealers, has been sent to the various Customs Stations in Canton and district, stating that the drugs imported by these dealers are necessary for preparing a remedy to cure the opium habit, and therefore should be passed on production of the passports.

Everyone who likes dancing—and who does not these days?—should make a point of seeing little Mura Shipoff and her brother Koka in the Star Theatre where they are beginning a brief Kowloon season to-night, for me these two clever performers give an exhibition of dances, striking as varied, which it is a pleasure to behold. Supplementing their entertainment is an excellent movie play, called "A Message From Mars," based on the famous stage play of the same name.

The establishment of the British troops in China has been fixed at the following figures for the year 1924-25—Hongkong: Three companies Royal Garrison Artillery, 319 of all ranks; Royal Engineers, 37; Royal Corps of Signals, 29; a battalion of British Infantry, 881; and detachments of departmental corps along with Indian and Colonial Corps (60 officers and 1,498 men), making a total of 2,290. North China: A battalion of British Infantry, and various detachments amounting in all to 925 of all ranks, stationed at Tientsin. The troping season so far as reliefs to and from the Far East are concerned is now over.

BILLIARDS.

THE HO KONG TONG CUPS.

The Handicapping and draw for the Ho Kong Tong Cups took place at the Palace Hotel last night. The following is the match to commence to-morrow night, 25th inst., at 9 o'clock:—Mr. E. Antonio (125) v. Mr. H. Miles (125). The following is the Handicap:—Mr. S. J. Bradwell (100), Mr. J. A. de Luz (100), Mr. Luz Antonio (125), Mr. R. F. Gardner (100), Mr. C. Goo (115), Mr. Wong (150), Mr. F. E. Silva (190), Mr. H. T. Brooks (100), Mr. H. P. Green (150), Mr. H. O. Balchin (175), Mr. H. Wilson (50), Mr. C. Spry (125), Mr. N. Ramsay (125), Mr. H. Blandin (170), Mr. L. R. Billing (70), Mr. E. Antonio (125), Mr. H. Miles (125), Mr. F. Troagous (100), Mr. H. D. Bennett (100), Mr. E. Remedios (100), Mr. K. K. Leung (250), Mr. A. G. Pile (125), Mr. A. J. Osmond (325).

MARRIAGE MUSINGS.

[BY "CYNICUS"].

Of all the functions I detest—save me from weddings. Not that I would favour the abolition of such knotty problems—far be it from me to ever breathe such a thought—but it seems that on such occasions one is made an involuntary witness and participant in an event which concerns nobody excepting the contracting parties. People look so awfully silly when they're getting married. How much more humane if the whole thing could be quietly performed under an anaesthetic! Take the case of the Phigghurst-Dumkins nuptial business! The plain unvarnished facts of the case were that Mr. Dumkins had decided to take unto himself a wife, to wit (or to woo) Miss Polly Phigghurst. That was, no doubt, quite a commendable thing for him to do—but why not leave it at that? No! That would never do! The event must be used as a reason to assure the world that Miss Polly Phigghurst is believed to be the only and/or youngest daughter of Mr. Adolphus Herbert Phigghurst, of Phigghurst, by Phigghurst, while Mr. Daniel Disraeli Dumkins is understood to emanate from that part of England where all the best people come from!

The bride must be given away as usual—free and gratis sort of thing—but why should it be necessary to explain that she looked positively posh in a creation (by Blumstien and Blumstien of white moribund satin, relieved at the elbows with Swatly lace (kindly lent by a distinguished relative) and gathered at the neck in a hurry, the train being of the non-stop variety, deeply studded with bloteau buds rounded off at the shoulders—and as for mentioning such a thing as a collusion veil; well, I ask you?

That is by no means the end of things, however. The bride's mother invariably looks convincingly bewildered, and no wonder! I should say that the ordeal of donning a gown of soft orange Souffle Maison, arranging one's complexion to match, and balancing an exquisite bunch of exotic herbs, is sufficient to make any mother-in-law anxious to get her own back in the near future.

Of course there have to be presents. What on earth is the use of going to the trouble of sending out invitations if presents don't roll in? But it's awfully annoying when they are all labelled and everyone sees that you only gave a patent fly-catcher!

Then there's the signing of the transfer certificate—or whatever it is really called. If Mr. Bolloes (the organist) really must play Baithoven's s'orter (words by George Robey) why make such a fuss about it?

If the honeymoon happens to be spent in Manila, they never tell you that the bridegroom went away in a Baguio pair of trousers! Still, they do insist on saying where the happy couple's hiding place is—I only wonder they don't tell you what they had for breakfast!

However, despite all these factors, the Marriage Market continues firm, even though no quotations are officially issued.

FAMOUS SCOTTISH SINGER.

SHORTLY COMING TO HONGKONG.

The public will be pleased to learn that Mr. William Houghan, spoken of as "the greatest Scottish singer since Andrew Black," and who is at present on a world tour under the immediate auspices of the Burns Federation, is to appear in Hongkong at an early date.

Late of the Royal Opera, Covent Garden, and the principal Italian opera houses, Mr. Houghan is a fine baritone singer, and his visit is one that music-lovers should not miss.

His visit here will be a brief one, commencing on Saturday, May 3rd, and ending on Wednesday, May 7th, at the Theatre Royal.

FERRY INCIDENT.

A MISSING PASSENGER.

The Yaumati ferry launch Man Shing was on its way to Hongkong at nine o'clock last night when a splash was heard, and it was ascertained that a passenger had either fallen or jumped overboard.

The vessel was swung round and a search was made but no trace was found of the passenger. It has not even been found out whether the victim was a man or a woman.

BARBERS' DISPUTE.

"COOL, CALCULATING LIES."

The case was continued, at the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, in which Basil Karim, a barber, sued Alara Kta, master barber of the East Surveys, for \$450, alleged to have been paid by plaintiff to defendant in respect of a consideration which had failed. The parties were to have gone into partnership and plaintiff alleged that he paid the money in consideration thereof. An agreement was prepared, but defendant refused to sign it or to take plaintiff into partnership.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, represented plaintiff and Mr. L. d'Almada appeared for the defence.

Mr. d'Almada said that the only point His Lordship had to decide was whether the money was actually paid or not. He would suggest that plaintiff's story was not to be believed, because there was no need for him to pay the money until the terms of the agreement had been actually completed. In addition, it seemed hardly possible, knowing the cleverness and methodical ways of the Indian community, that plaintiff would not have obtained some receipt or acknowledgment. He would suggest that plaintiff brought the action out of revenge because he was discharged by defendant.

Mr. Russ said that in his opinion defendant's case was a series of disconnected lies. Although he had sworn on the Koran, defendant had told deliberate lies which could be proved to be cool, calculating lies. It was his experience that when a man swore by the ghosts of his forefathers or oaths of that description, he intended to lie, so he made a more emphatic oath. He went on to tell the plaintiff's version of what happened between them and submitted that his times and details coincided with the times which were undisputed.

His Lordship said that in spite of the extremely able way the case had been put by Mr. Russ, he was satisfied that the money was paid and he was therefore obliged to give judgment for defendant with costs.

CHINA PONY CONTROVERSY.

SPECIAL MEETING OF TIENSIN RACE CLUB.

Matters concerning the question of cross-breeds and China ponies having come to a state where further discussion becomes necessary, the Tientsin Race Club has called an extraordinary general meeting at 5.30 p.m. on April 25 in the Tientsin Club.

It appears that in the present scheme of classification it takes only one-third of the committee of 15 to declare a pony to be a cross-breed, which means that only five votes are necessary against any animal, to have it thrown into B Class. This does not seem to meet with general approval and an effort will be made to make it necessary that a larger proportion of the committee shall constitute an adverse vote. It is possible that the entire question will be again thrashed out in an effort to find a working basis.

As it stands about 25 per cent. of the ponies, old ones and griffins, are unable to run in the regular races, and while the elimination of cross-breeds makes the racing more open for regular China ponies, the great reduction in entries for China pony events hurts interest and competition in their class. In view of this further discussion, the date for closing entries for the Spring Meeting has been put forward to April 28.—N. C. D. N.

LAWN TENNIS.

WORTHINGTON DEFEATED.

Yesterday, in the H.K.C.C. tournament, G. W. Sowell defeated R. E. Worthington in the semi-final of the "A" Class Singles Handicap. The match was an excellent one, and some good rallies were seen. The odds were slightly in favour of Sowell, who owed 3/6 as against Worthington's 15/3. However, the win was distinctly to the credit of Sowell, who played an excellent all-round game. The scores were 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

In the Club Championship, I. Forster met and defeated R. J. Saunders after a five-set battle, the scores being 6-2, 5-7, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.

SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS.

Independence Issue Obscured.

Capetown, April 23.
The South African election campaign has been opened for the Nationalists by speeches of the leader, General Hertzog, and the Cape leader, Mr. Malan; and for the South African party by General Smuts.

Gen. Hertzog declared that the republican bogey had never been on the Nationalists' programme, and he would be a fool to press it unless the English wanted it as much as the Dutch. He was closely heckled for this remarkable assertion. Mr. Malan also spoke on the subject of independence; both endeavouring to convince the electors that the Nationalist policy on this point coincided with Gen. Smuts's.

Proctoria, April 23.
Gen. Smuts announced the Government's policy and programme, which embraces a number of broad, progressive measures. He pointed to the Government's past accomplishments, including the destruction of racialism by securing the co-operation of the Unionists, and charged the Nationalists with endeavouring to solve the question of secession temporarily because of their pact with the Labourites. He described this pact as an election dodge.

BOER REBEL SENTENCED.

Capetown, April 23.
The Boer ex-General Maritz, charged with high treason in connection with the rebellion of 1914, has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

The Judge said the lightness of the sentence was due to accused's sufferings during his years of exile, while his fellow offenders were released after a short period of imprisonment.

JAPAN & AMERICA.

THE IMMIGRATION PROBLEM.

Tokyo, April 23.
Japan's stand vis-a-vis the American immigration legislation is finding constant expression in a series of meetings, political, commercial, student or labour, at which resolutions are being adopted similar to those passed yesterday and to-day, of which the dominant note is one of intense regret at the threatening injury to the friendly relations of the two countries and most earnest appeal for a re-consideration of a measure which is described as unjust and not reflecting the true wishes of the American people.

A meeting of the League of Nations Association was attended by Baron Shibusawa and other well-known people this evening, when there was passed a resolution to appeal its case to the League of Nations Union of Brussels, and non-partisan associations of America, urging the exercise of its influence in preventing the Bill being put into operation.

The resolution declares that the Bill is a direct infringement of the American-Japan Treaty of Commerce and a violation of the fundamental principles of the League of Nations.

WORLD THEATRE.

THE LATEST ATTRACTION.

Youth is contrasted with age, love with hate, and happiness with misery, in the remarkable story unfolded in "A Chapter in Her Life," the new Universal-Jewel production which opened yesterday at the World Theatre. It is a lesson in how to be happy, given in dramatic episodes. Happenings that tug at one's inner soul, alternated with brilliant flashes of whimsical humour that bring laughs through tears. It can hardly be called a play at all—it is really a bit of human life, transferred to the screen as an actuality through the art of author and actors.

"A Chapter in Her Life" is based on the novel, "Jewel," by Clara Louise Burnham and follows the story in every detail, as envisaged and directed by Lola Weber. The story is unique in film plays—and the cast adds the final touch.

Charles Gillingswater, long a stage idol, plays "one of the greatest roles in his career as"

EMPRESS RECORDS.

QUICK SILK DELIVERIES.

The N. Y. Journal of Commerce notes an unusually fast trip made by a silk cargo from Yokohama to New York via Vancouver over the Canadian Pacific by rail and steamer. This shipment was that which arrived in Vancouver on the Empress of Russia, having left Yokohama at 3.40 p.m., Monday, February 16, and docked at Vancouver, 8.15 p.m., Monday, February 25.

A special train of silk left Vancouver via the Canadian Pacific and New York Central in two hours and thirty minutes after the steamer docked and the silk was delivered in New York at 1 p.m. on March 1.

This makes a through time from Yokohama to New York of thirteen days, twenty-one hours and twenty minutes, calendar time.

This did not constitute a record for silk transportation, however, as the fastest time, which has been made by any combination of railway and steamship lines via any route, was that made on silk shipped on the Canadian Pacific Steamer Empress of Canada in June last year. The actual time from Yokohama to New York was twelve days, twenty-one hours and forty-nine minutes. This was six hours and fifty-six minutes faster than any time ever made through any Pacific ports.

WORLD FLIGHT.

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS IN HAND.

Arrangements for the landing in Hongkong of the American aviators who are engaged in a flight round the world are practically complete. Lieut. Malcolm S. Lawton went yesterday to the Standard Oil Co.'s depot at Laichikok, with Mr. J. A. Shaw of the Company, and the spot where the machines are to land was selected. This is the stretch of water between the shore at Laichikok and Stonecutters Island. This water is free of big craft, is sheltered, has the fuel tanks close by, and is easily picked out from the air. Four mooring buoys will be placed there for the machines during their stay in the Colony.

Lieut. Lawton took several photographs of the place and its surroundings, and these, together with meteorological and other data, have been sent to Amoy to await the arrival there of the world fliers. They are due in Hongkong about the end of next month. Lieut. Lawton proceeds to Haiphong (the next landing place) to make the necessary arrangements, and his commission extends to Calcutta. As at present planned, the aviators will fly from here to Haiphong, then Tourane, Saigon, Bangkok, Rangoon, Akyab, and Calcutta. The longest "hop" is Saigon to Bangkok (675 miles) and the shortest Haiphong to Tourane (395 miles). The idea is to average 500 miles, thus doing the journey in easy stages.

From Calcutta to England the landings will be on terra firma, wheels taking the place of the present floats on the machines. From Hull onwards (up the east coast of Scotland, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Greenland, and Labrador, and the Canadian coast to Washington or on to Los Angeles) the floats will be attached again, for water descents.

If nothing occurs to alter the programmes, it is very likely that the British flying-men will arrive in Hongkong a week earlier than the Americans, and their meeting take place in North China.

LONDON'S "NOTORIOUS STATUES."

The fact that we had practically no true marble and very little stone suitable for fine sculpture was one reason why, with a single exception, there was no English school of sculpture of any importance, said Mr. C. E. W. Bromhead to the Royal Geographical Society recently. "The public statues in London are notorious," he added.

"Mr. Everingham," the millionaire who seeks vainly to buy happiness with gold and finds only misery as a result, Little Jane Morcer, hailed as the greatest child and in years among actresses, is seen as "Jewel," the stage idol, plays "one of the greatest roles in his career as"

CONFLICTING STORIES.

A WITNESS CAUTIONED.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, arising out of contradictory evidence given in a case in which a Chinese was charged with stealing various articles from a coolies' matchbox in Nam Cheong Street, Mr. E. W. Hamilton had one of the witnesses detained, saying he wished to see him later.

Defendant pleaded "Not guilty," saying that he had permission from the owners to pawn the articles.

The witness said that he did not give defendant permission to pawn the articles and added that he had never seen defendant before. Cross-examined by defendant, he said that he did see him in a tea house.

Defendant was convicted and sentenced to three weeks' hard labour.

His Worship later called the witness and said: "In your evidence you said that you never saw defendant before and yet later when pressed you said you did see him. Is there any reason why you should not be charged with perjury?"

The man said that what he meant to say was that he had never seen defendant before he lost the articles. It was some days later that he saw the man in the tea house.

His Worship: "You will be have to be more careful next time."

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Miss May Edginton (Mrs. Bailly) is one of the most talked-of women at the moment, for she is the writer of "The Fairy Tale," the play which has been very severely criticized since it was produced not long ago. Miss Edginton was part-author of that successful piece "Secrets," shown in Hongkong last year. Another woman playwright, whose last production, "The Way Things Happen," has been widely discussed, is Miss Clonmel Dano, whose "Bill of Divorcement" was so great a success. In this play Miss Haidee Wright makes a deep impression by the tenderness of her acting in the part of the mother.

Leipzig has many spots that are venerated for their associations, from Auerbach's Keller to the dirty little tavern where Schumann sat and wrote desperate begging-letters, and the conductor's seat in the Gewandhaus which Nikisch-lovers still regard as sacred to an undying memory. The children of a whole generation

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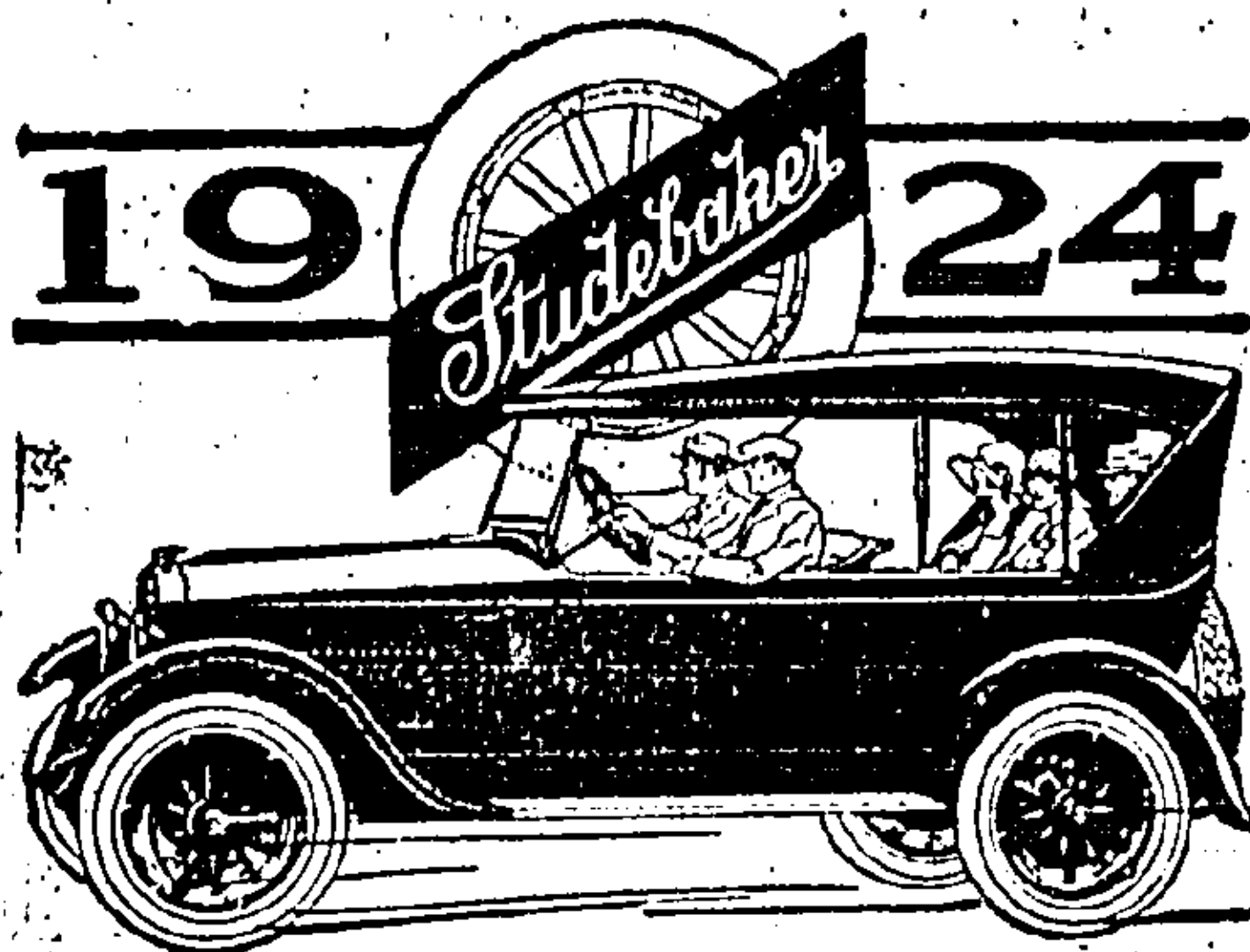
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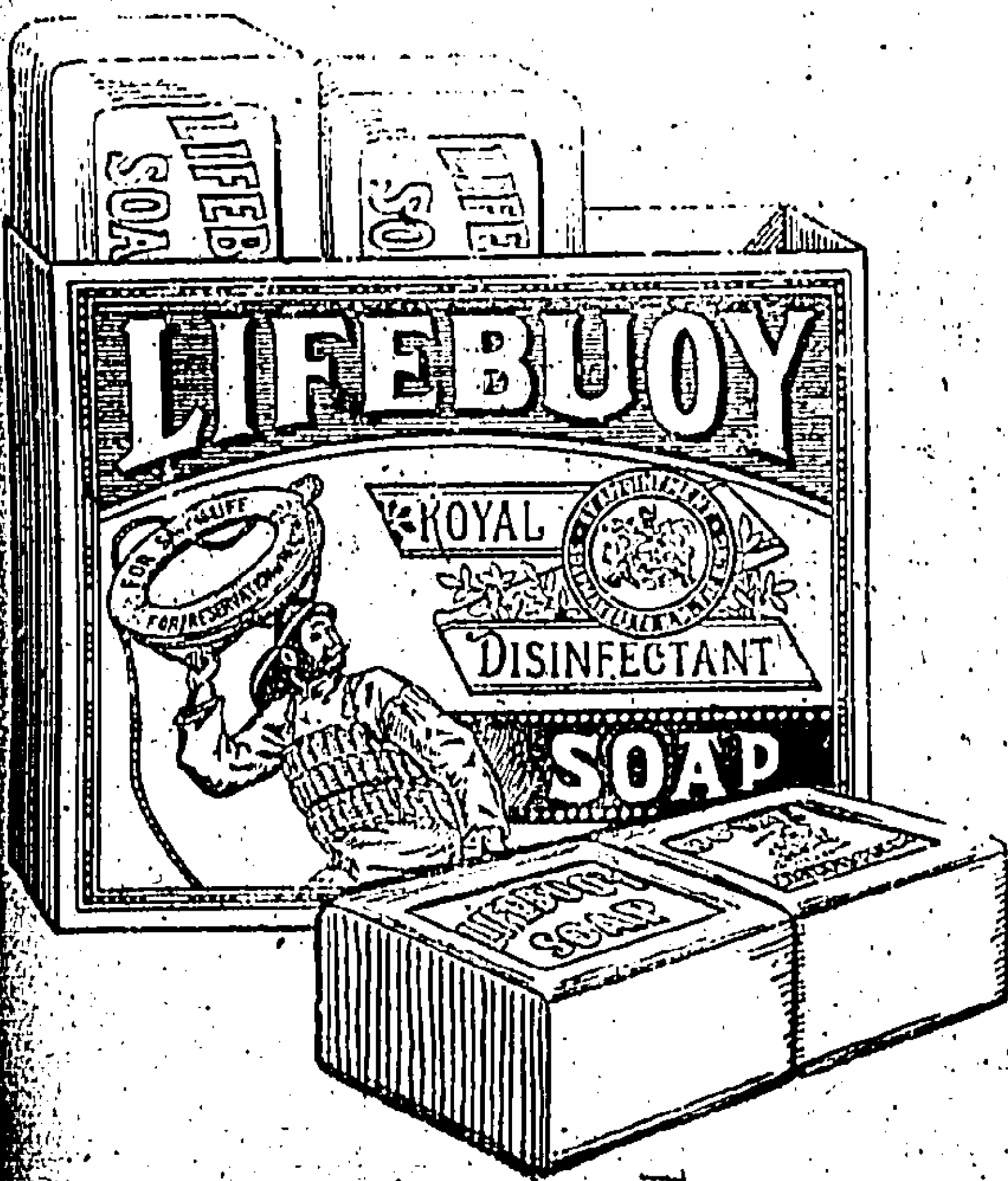
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CAMERA NEWS.



Photo shows a fully armed native who is guarding the tomb of King Tut, at Luxor, Egypt.



Miss Ruth Litt (above) of East Patchogue, N. Y., who is running against Theodore Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy, for post of delegate from First Congressional District, for a seat in the Republican National Convention.



Here is Teddy Roosevelt, Jr. (right), grandson of the famous T. R. He is boxing with a friend in a Washington gym, and promises to become a "scrapper" like his grand-dad.



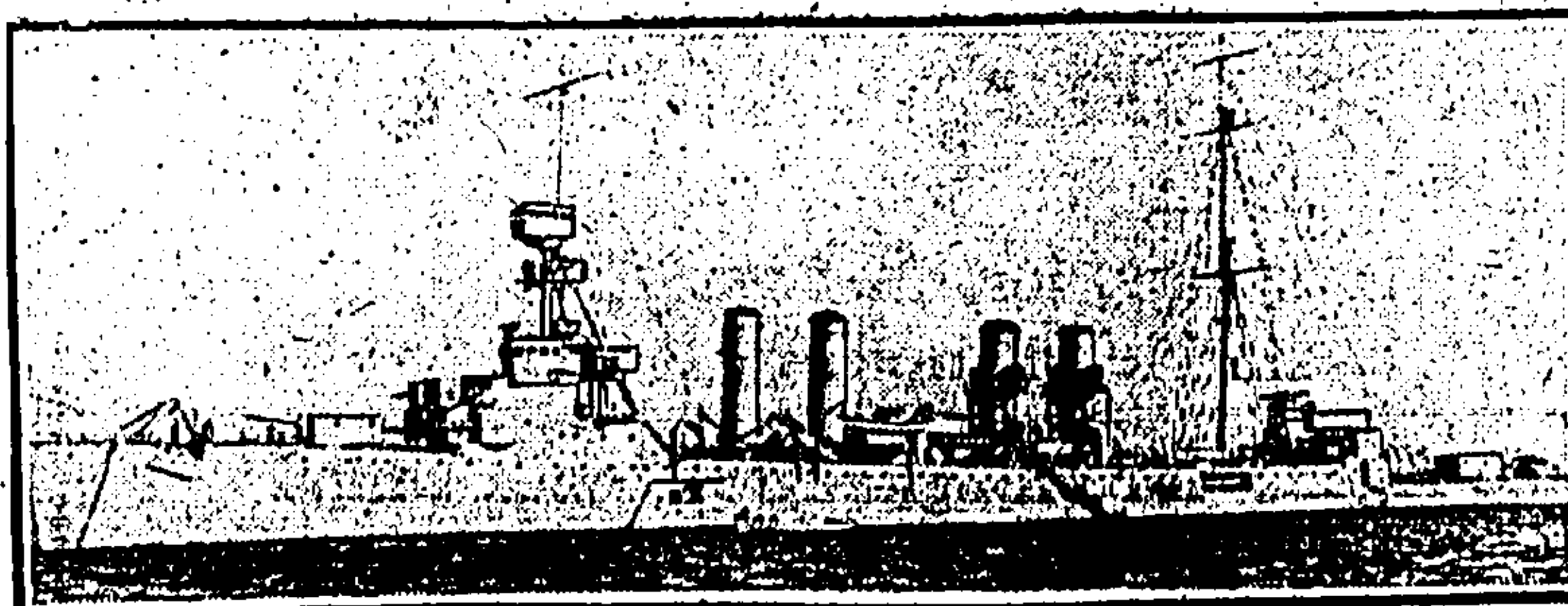
Snow, melting in vicinity of Park street subway station, Boston, produced this watery effect.



Magdalene Angel went to America from France, eight years ago, to marry an Indianapolis business man. But he already had wed another. So Magdalene made the best of it and opened a beauty parlour. Immigration officials have just discovered her entrance is alleged to have been irregular. Friends have appealed at Washington to permit her to remain.



These two little polar bear cubs are getting their first look at the great wide world. Born last December, their mother has just brought them out of their den. The one between mother's paws seems to be more bashful than his brother.



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KASHMIR	8,963	24th May	M'les, London & B'way
SICILIA	6,813	25th May	S'pore, Pang, Cbo & B'way
NAGPORE	5,283	26th May	Singapore, Colombo, Bombay
KHIVA	9,097	31st May	M'les, London & Antwerp
KASHGAR	8,840	14th June	M'les, London & B'way
SOUDAN	6,696	23rd June	S'pore, Pang, Cbo & B'way
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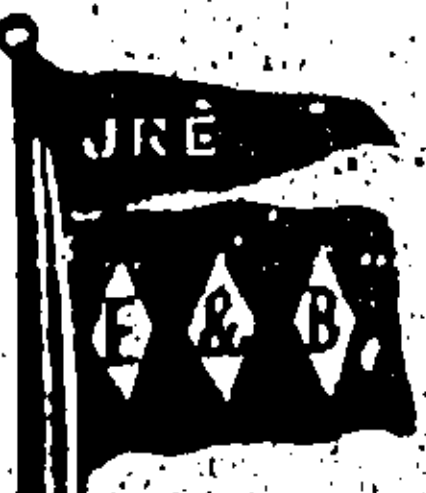
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SHANGHAI via Swatow	Talsang	Sun. 27th Apr. at 7 a.m.
ATUNG via S'ow, S'hai	Wosang	Wed. 30th Apr. at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Leesang	Sun. 27th Apr. at 10 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Hopsang	Tues. 29th Apr. at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kutsang	Tues. 29th Apr. at 3 p.m.
TAO via S'ow & S'hai	Foosang	Wed. 30th Apr. at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Walsang	Sun. 2nd May at 7 a.m.
KOBE via Moji	Namsang	Sat. 3rd May at 11 a.m.
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WORLD PEACE.

LECTURE AT HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

Miss Martha L. Root, a newspaper and magazine writer of the United States, who is spending two weeks in Hongkong, after speaking and writing in nineteen of the leading cities of China, gave an address yesterday before the students of Hongkong University. Her subject was "Universal Peace and How the Students can Help Bring It." During the lecture she spoke of the Bahai cause and what it is doing to further world peace. She graphically outlined the history and teachings of this Bahai movement, founded in the latter part of the nineteenth century by the three great Persian teachers, the Bab, Baha'u'llah and Abdu'l Baha. Abdu'l Baha was knighted by the British Government for his work toward universal peace.

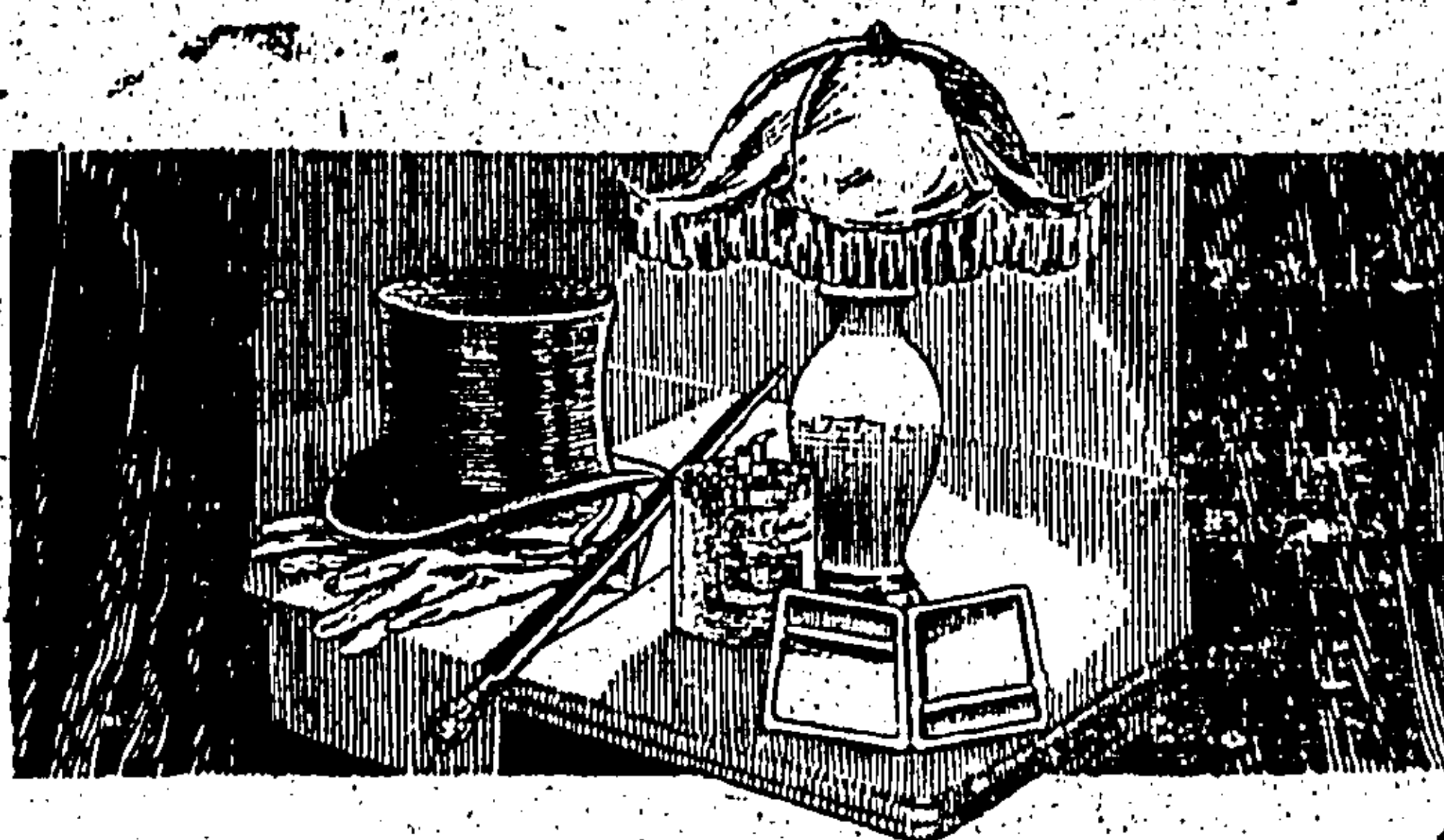
She said that this is undoubtedly one of the most remarkable religious and social movements of which history bears any record. It seemed destined to play a great part in bringing about unity of religions and the establishment of peace throughout the world. The cause of Baha'u'llah, Miss Root said, was the same as the cause of Christ. It was the same temple and the same foundation. In the coming of Christ the divine teachings were given in accordance with the infancy of the human race. The teachings of Baha'u'llah had the same basic principles, but were according to the degree of maturity of the world to-day and the requirements of this illumined age.

The speaker gave as some of the basic principles the unification of the world of humanity, the welding together of the world's different religions, the reconciliation of religion and science, the establishment of universal peace, of international arbitration, of an international House of Justice, of an international auxiliary language, the emancipation of women, universal education, the abolition not only of chattel slavery, but of industrial slavery.

the organisation of humanity as a single whole, with due regard to the rights and liberties of each individual. These were problems of gigantic magnitude and stupendous difficulty in relation to which Christians, Mohammedans and adherents of other faiths had held and still hold the most diverse and often violently opposed views, but Baha'u'llah had revealed clearly defined principles, the general adoption of which would obviously make the world a paradise.

"The state of the world to-day," Miss Root said, surely afforded ample evidence that, with rare exceptions, people of all religions need to be re-awakened to the real meaning of their religion; and that re-awakening was an important part of the work of Baha'u'llah. He came to make Confucianism better Confucianism, Christianity better Christianity, to make Moslems, real Moslems, to make all men true to the spirit that inspired their prophets. He also fulfilled the promise made by these prophets of a more glorious manifestation which was to appear in the fulness of time to crown and consummate their labours. He gives a universal teaching which afforded a firm foundation on which a new and better civilization could be built, a teaching adapted to the needs of the world in the new era which was now commencing.

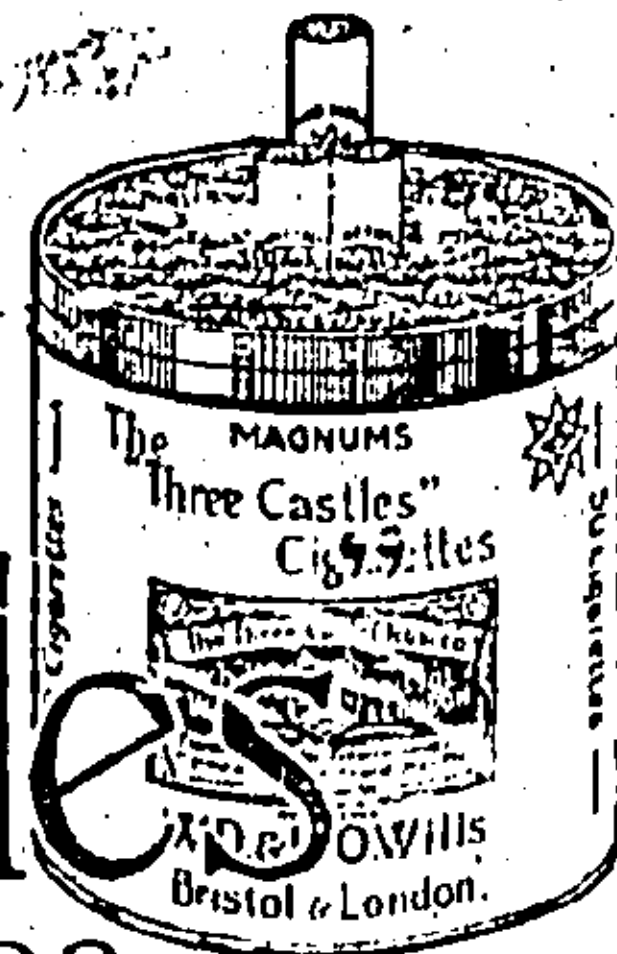
One of the questions asked by Rabindranath Tagore, the first day of his arrival in Hongkong, the speaker said was "How is the Bahai Cause progressing?" Baha'u'llah's son, Abdu'l Baha, always wished to come to China. He said if these principles for world peace could be explained to a few of the thinkers of China, they themselves would take them to their people. He stated that the Chinese had a great capacity and China would be the country of the future. "When religion," Abdu'l Baha said, "is shorn of its superstitions and unintelligent dogmas, shows its conformity with science, then there will be a great unifying, cleansing force in the world, which will sweep before it all wars, disagreements, discords and struggles, and then will mankind be united in the power of the love of God."



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WEATHER REPORT.

April 24—11h. 32m. Pressure has increased slightly at Vladivostok. It has decreased moderately from Chefoo to Shanghai and slightly from Formosa to the Philippines and Cebu China. It is now decreasing at Hongkong.

The anticyclone is still central to the east of Japan; another is shown over Manchuria.

Gradients are shallow from Shanghai to Indo-China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 10.56 inches, against an average of 10.33 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

- 1 Formosa Channel
- 2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamooke Light, variable winds, fair.
- 3 H'kong to Gap Rock.
- 4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan T. F. CLAXTON, Director. Hongkong, April 24

Since the death of Abdu'l Baha on November 28, 1921, his grandson, Shoghi Effendi in Haifa, Palestine, had been the guardian of the work. Some of the earnest young Chinese were writing to Shoghi Effendi, this youth of twenty-seven years, asking him to come to China and lecture in the universities and normal schools on these universal principles of Baha'u'llah. Shoghi Effendi, since his return from Oxford University had been translating some of the writings into English.

Miss Root closed her lecture with the words: "We cannot conceive of a star without a light, a tree without a seed. If we claim to be followers of light, we must diffuse the light through our actions. The world can be educated spiritually to world peace and brotherhood, and the basic principles taught by Baha'u'llah offer an infallible programme."

Miss Root leaves at the end of this week for a fortnight's lecture tour in Indo-China. She will return to Hongkong about the middle of May and after five lectures here will sail for Australia.

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